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Richard E. Hall, Secretary Maryland Department of Planning 301 West Preston Street – Suite 1101 Baltimore, Maryland 21201

Dear Secretary Hall:

In keeping with the provisions of the Sustainable Growth and Agricultural Preservation Act of 2012, the Board of Garrett County Commissioners officially adopted (by a unanimous vote) the attached Growth Tier Map during the Board's regular meeting on December 4, 2012. The map will be used to implement the provisions of the Act relating to the subdivision of land for residential purposes that will be served by on-site sewage disposal systems, community sewage systems or shared system.

Attached to this correspondence please find copies of the following documents:

- 1. The official Garrett County Tier Map adopted December 4, 2012 showing the precise location of all tiers.
- 2. A copy of the County's Subdivision map showing the Planning classifications of Garrett County including the underlying parcel layer shape files which can be used to visualize the planning characteristics associated with each Tier.
- 3. A narrative description of the adopted Tiers providing justification for each Tier with more specific information relevant to informal comments previously received from MDP regarding Tier III areas.
- 4. A letter dated November 20, 2012 from the Garrett County Planning Commission recommending adoption of the final Tier Map.

Copies of the GIS shape files of the official sewer services area and a copy of the 2008 Garrett County Comprehensive Plan have previously been transmitted to the Department of Planning; however, if additional information or hard copies of these documents are needed, please contact our Planning Office.

We trust this information will satisfy the requirements of the Sustainable Growth and Agricultural Preservation Act of 2012.

On Behalf of the Board,

James M. Kal

cc: Senator George Edwards Delegate Wendell Beitzel Jason Dubow Bill Atkinson